but she loveth him and her realm too much to hazard his person in any lesser action than that which shall import her crown and state, and therefore willeth him to be content, giving him a warrant for ^4000 and saying, [6] Look to thyself, good Essex, and be wise to help thyself, without giving thy enemies advantage , and my hand shall be readier to help thee than any other *

July JOHN BOSTE, A JESUIT, EXECUTED

John Boste, a Jesuit, was executed for high treason at Durham on the 24th When he was taken from prison towards the place of execution, more than three hundred ladies and women of good position, all with black hoods, set out to follow him, and being asked where they were going, they answered, ' To accompany that gentleman, that servant of God, to his death, as the Maries did Christ ' A minister offered to dispute with them by the way, but a horseman came up and pushed him away, crying, * Begone, knave, Mr Boste has shown himself a true gentleman and a true man '

Having come to the scaffold, he kissed the ladder and mounting the first step, said, * *Angelus ad, Manam dixit . Ave gratia plena Domtnus tecum Benedicta tu in muhenbus* ' On the second, [e] *Verbum caro factum est, et habitamt in nobts,'* at the third, * *Ecce ancilla Domim, fiat mthi secundum verbum tuum* ' Turning to the people, as he began to speak he was told that he came not to preach but to die

[tf] At least,' quoth he, ' you will allow me to thank these ladies and gentlemen who have done me the honour and kindness to accompany me to-day Although *I* am now to be deprived of life, my blood withal and death and innocence shall preach in the hearts of those whom God will call and gather

to His Holy Catholic Church. My head and quarters will preach every day on your gates and walls the truth of the Catholic Faith [5]

Then he placed himself in prayer for a short while, and, as it were awakening, asked leave to recite the H4th Psalm, [c] *Dilexi quoniam?* then returning thanks to God, he ended by saying that God had given him grace to die for the Catholic Roman Church, * outside of which,' he declared, [c] believe me, brethren (for this is not the time to dissemble nor to he), it is impossible to enter unto the Kingdom of Heaven [3]